House Resolution No.

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives take tremendous pleasure in acknowledging milestone events in the lives of Show-Me State young women who have admirably dedicated themselves to exceptional participation in the Girl Scouts of America program with its emphasis on maturation and growth as a person, citizen, and leader; and

Whereas, Samantha Tucker of Girl Scout Troop 592 has earned the highest achievement award in Girl Scouting, the Gold Award, which was presented to her on February 17, 2007, at Howard's ATA Academy in Osage Beach; and

Whereas, Samantha fulfilled all of the diverse requirements for her Gold Award, including devoting herself to the many hours necessary to garner more than twenty Merit Badges, the Career Exploration Pin, and a Girl Scout Leadership Award representing her service as the Troop Secretary, Vice President, and President and as an Assistant Camp Director; and

Whereas, Samantha also designed a self-development plan that requires assessment of her ability to interact with others and prioritize values, participation for a minimum of fifteen hours in a community service project, and development of a plan to promote Girl Scouting; and

Whereas, Samantha spent a minimum of fifty hours planning and implementing a Girl Scout Gold Award Project that had a positive and lasting impact on the community by emphasizing personal safety through a class taught by five Black Belt holders and the Osage Beach Police Department; and

Whereas, officially designated in 1980 as the highest award in Girl Scouting, the Gold Award is attained by only five thousand Girl Scouts annually; and

Whereas, Samantha also deserves mention of non-Girl Scout activities that have led to her achieving the rank of 2nd Degree Black Belt in the American Taekwondo Association, being inducted into the National Honor Society with a 4.0 grade point average, and participating in Modern Music Masters, Future Business Leaders of America, Ecology Club, Academic Bowl, and Jazz Band:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to salute Girl Scout Samantha Tucker and to convey to her this legislative body's heartiest congratulations upon completing the stringent requirements for a Girl Scout Gold Award and our best wishes for continued success and achievement in life for many, many more years to come; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of Girl Scout Gold Award recipient Samantha Tucker, daughter of Ed and Tami Tucker of Eldon, Missouri.

Offered by
Representative Rodney Schad District No. 115
I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No, adopted, 2007.
Rod Jetton, Speaker